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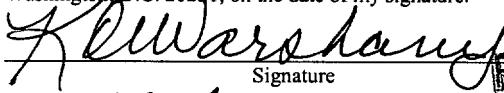
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MOVABLE LOADING BRIDGE HAVING
AN INFLATABLE FLEXIBLE BODY



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Sir:

As a supplemental amendment to the response filed May 25, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the fourth paragraph of col. 2 as follows:

Into the housing thus obtained a base 11 is provided, which comprises a substantially horizontal part 12 and a part 13 extending obliquely downward to the front at an angle θ of about twenty-two degrees (See FIG. 3). Angle θ as illustrated in FIG. 5 is about fifteen degrees. Also the bottom comprises a front wall 14 extending obliquely upwardly. The loading bridge per se comprises a movable plate 15, which is manufactured of steel or aluminum: and to the lower side

thereof reinforcement ribs 16 have been welded. Further a round rod 17 has been welded to the under side of the plate 15, which rests in an array of substantially L-shaped hooks 18 welded against the back wall 8. Finally a filling piece 19 has been welded against the lower side of the plate 15, which filling piece 19 can be manufactured from a steel box or may be composed of rather light material, like tempex.

IN THE CLAIMS

Add the following claims:

25. A loading bridge as claimed in claim 1, wherein said inclined base is inclined at least one degree

26. A loading bridge as claimed in claim 1, wherein said inclined base is inclined at least five degrees.

27. A loading bridge as claimed in claim 1, wherein said inclined base is inclined at least fifteen degrees.

IN THE DRAWINGS

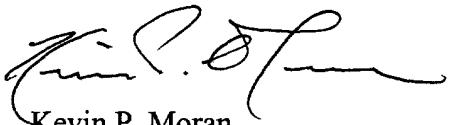
Applicant is submitting herewith amended FIGS. 3 and 5 under cover of a separate sheet.

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the above amendments, claims, and drawings.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney should the Examiner have questions regarding the above.

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